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SUBJECT: PRESS COVERAGE OF FUKUDA PREPARATIONS FOR SUMMIT WITH
PRESIDENT CARTER

- 1. PRESS COVERAGE OF GOJ PREPARATIONS FOR CARTER-FUKUDA MEETING HAS BEEN HEAVY, CENTERING AROUND PRIME MINISTER'S MEETING WITH PRINCIPAL POLICY ADVISERS MARCH 6.

  ACCORDING TO REPORTS FUKUDA MET FOR FIVE HOURS WITH FONMIN HATOYAMA, CABINET SECRETARY SONODA AND OTHER FONOFF OFFICIALS, INCLUDING CICE MIISTER SATO, AMERICAN AFFAIRS BUREAU DIRGEN YAMAZAKI, ASIAN AFFAIRS BUREAU DIRGEN NAKAE, ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION BUREAU DIRGEN KIKUCHI. DISCUSSIONS EMPHASIZED (A) ECONOMIC RECOVERY OF INDUSTRIAL DEMOCRACIES; (B) ASIAN POLITICS, INCLUDING SOUTH KOREAN AND JAPAN-ASEAN RELATIONSHIP; (C) ENERGY QUESTION, ESPECIALLY PROBLEM OF NUCLEAR ENERGY AND NON-PROLIFERATION; AND (D) US POSITIONS ON DISARMANENT AND HUMAN RIGHTS.
- 2. ACCORDING TO BACKGROUND BRIEFINGS GIVEN TO PRESS, GOJ INTENDS TO SEEK STATEMENT IN JOINT COMMUNIQUE ENDORSING FREE TRADE IN CONTEDT OF COOPERATION AMONG INDUSTRIAL DEMOCRACIES. REPORTS STRESS GOJ SENSE THAT UNCLASSIFIED

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JAPAN CAN CONTRIBUTE TO GLOBAL RECOVERY ONLY WITHIN STRUCTURE OF ECONOMIC LIBERALISM.

3. DISCUSSIONS ALSO COVERED US WITHDRAWAL OF TROOPS FROM KOREA AND JAPAN'S POLICY TOWARDS ASEAN AND OTHER ASIAN NATIONS. JAPANESE AMBASSADORS TO VIETNAM, BURMA, SINGAPORE AND THAILAND REPORTEDLY WERE PRESENT

AT TALKS, STRESSING IMPORTANCE GOJ ATTACHES TO SEA CONNECTION.

- 4. CONSIDERABLE TIME REPORTEDLY SPENT ON POSSIBILITY OF US RESTRICTIONS CONCERNING REPROCESSING OF SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL AND TRANSFER OF RELATED TECHNOLOGY.
- 5. IMPLICATIONS OF RECENT USG INITIATIVES ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND DISARMAMENT ALSO SAID TO HAVE BEEN TAKEN UP AT MEETING, THOUGH NO CONCLUSIONS REPORTED.
- $6.\,$  KYODO REPORTED MARCH 7 THAT FUKUDA WOULD EXTEND FORMAL INVITATION TO PRESIDENT CARTER TO VISIT JAPAN. SHOESMITH

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